



Shorelines of the State

King County, Washington

Current King County Shoreline Jurisdiction

- Open Water
- 200 ft Jurisdiction

- Incorporated Areas
- Potential Annexation Areas
- Associated Floodplains and Wetlands

- Tribal Lands in Unincorporated King County
- Other Water Bodies

- Urban Growth Boundary
- King County Boundary
- Other Major Streams

- Agricultural Production District Boundary
- Forest Production District

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What is included in the shoreline jurisdiction?

Shorelines of the State include all marine shorelines, lakes greater than 20 acres, and rivers and streams with 20 cubic feet per second (cfs) mean annual flow or greater. The shoreline jurisdiction includes these water bodies and shorelands. Shorelands are defined as those areas extending landward for two hundred feet from the ordinary high water mark, floodways and contiguous floodplain areas landward two hundred feet from such floodways, and all associated wetlands and river deltas. King County currently includes the zero-rise floodway, essentially the 100-year floodplain, in its shoreline jurisdiction.

What is the difference between current and proposed shoreline jurisdiction?

The updated map of the shoreline jurisdiction was developed based on State direction to:

- Include all qualifying shorelines on federal lands (these were not previously included)
- Use a 1998 USGS study to identify the location of 20 cubic feet per second flow points on streams (these are higher up in the watershed than most current points)

Further, lakes were reevaluated in relation to the 20-acre threshold given the availability of new data about lake size.

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	Lake	River/ Stream	Marine
Current Jurisdiction	230	1,696	51

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